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FOR A/OS DR. VINCENT MCGUGAN

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: COLEGIO AMERICANO DE GUAYAQUIL

1. I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU COME TO GUAYAQUIL FOR A WEEK BEFORE THE END OF PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR (JAN. 31, 1975) FOR REVIEW OF PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS OF COLEGIO AMERICANO.

2. THE AMBASSADOR CONCURS IN THIS RECOMMENDATION.

3. I URGE YOUR PRESENCE IN GUAYAQUIL BECAUSE MAJOR DECISIONS CONCERNING FUTURE OF THE COLEGIO AMERICANO MUST BE MADE IN NEAR FUTURE. A NEW SCHOOL BOARD WILL BE ELECTED IN EARLY JANUARY. A PARENTS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAS BEEN FORMED WHICH INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES FROM FOLLOWING GROUPS: PARENTS, TEACHERS, PARENT-TEACHERS ORGANIZATION, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION, SCHOOL BOARD. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU BE HERE BEFORE END OF SCHOOL YEAR TO BE AVAILABLE FOR ADVICE AND COUNSEL AND TO DISCUSS SCHOOL'S FUTURE WITH THE NEW BOARD, THE COMMITTEE, THE SCHOOL'S ADMINISTRATION AND FACULTY, AND PERSONNEL OF THIS POST.

4. COMMITTEE I APPOINTED TO REVIEW SCHOOL'S OPERATIONS AND USE OF GRANT FUNDS HAS COMPLETED ITS WORK AND ITS REPORT IS ALMOST IN FINAL FORM. BEFORE SENDING IT TO YOU WITH MY OBSERVATIONS I WANT COMMITTEE TO MEET WITH SCHOOL DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT TO SEE IF SOME OF THE AREAS OF DISAGREEMENT CAN BE RESOLVED. I ALSO WANT TO GIVE SCHOOL DIRECTOR OPPORTUNITY, IF NECESSARY, TO

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PROVIDE WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING REPORT.

5. THIS BRINGS ME TO REQUEST FOR U.S. GOVERNMENT FISCAL YEAR 1975 FUNDS FOR THE COLEGIO AMERICANO FOR PERIOD 1 MAY 1975 TO 30 APRIL 1976. I HAVE THE REQUEST FOR GRANT FUNDS BUT WOULD PREFER NOT TO SEND IT TO YOU UNTIL YOU HAVE BEEN IN GUAYAQUIL FOR FIRST-HAND OBSERVATION OF SCHOOL NEEDS AND FUTURE PLANS. I AM STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF CONTINUING GRANT SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOL BUT JUSTIFICATION FOR SUCH FUNDS DEPENDS ON WHICH DIRECTION SCHOOL ITSELF DECIDES TO TAKE. YOUR OWN COMMENTS AFTER YOUR GUAYAQUIL VISIT WOULD BE ESPECIALLY HELPFUL. CAN SUBMISSION OF REQUEST FOR GRANT FUNDS BE DELAYED UNTIL AFTER YOUR VISIT TO GUAYAQUIL?  
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